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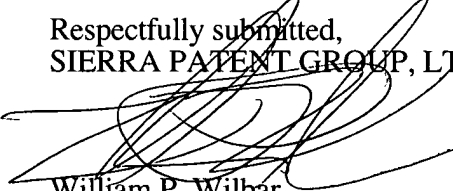
Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 11, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application.

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 11, 2006, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: